

Muscoy MAC Meeting Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 20, 2007

Council Members Present:

Larry Claunch	Gloria Dickey	Anna Duarte	Vanney Mayberry
Kay Sanders	Jerry Smith	Lia Tinker	

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES:

Council Member Claunch moved to approve the Minutes of the January meeting. Council Member Dickey seconded the motion and all were in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

Action Items

A. County Special Districts – Pamela Vandervoort

Ms. Vandervoort reported that ballots for the special election for street lighting was mailed out to all property owners. Residents must sign and mail their ballots to the designated election company in order for them to be recorded. If residents do not want their signature visible on the returned ballot they may place the signed ballot in a sealed envelope and mail it directly to the election company.

If a property owner does not receive a ballot they may contact Ms. Vandervoort at Special Districts: (909) 387-5940.

Non-Action Items

A. County Code Enforcement – Julie Hernandez, Supervising Code Enforcement Officer

Ms. Hernandez reported that there are 108 active cases in the Muscoy area. Code Enforcement is responsible for enforcing the county's health and development codes. If residents have questions or complaints they may contact County Code Enforcement at (909) 387-4044.

B. California Highway Patrol – Officer Joe Ramos

Officer Ramos provided updates as to various complaints noted in the CHP's complaint log for the Muscoy area. If residents have traffic concerns or would like to report abandoned vehicles in the roadway they may contact the CHP at (909) 383-4247.

C. Sheriff's Department – Service Specialist Kathy Gray

Ms. Gray was unable to attend. Field Representative Frances Vasquez presented the crime statistics for the month of February:

Total calls for service: 707

Total report calls: 100

1 – Malicious Vandalism, 1 – Stolen Vehicles, 8 – Recovered stolen vehicles, 17 – property crimes/ID theft/grand theft/, 3 – miscellaneous reports/lost property, 11 – crimes against person's/attempted murder/assault, 17 – miscellaneous reports/missing & returned persons/ runaway juvenile, 41 – arrests.

Action Items

A. Community Emergency Response Team – Larry Claunch

Mr. Claunch reported that the Muscoy CERT website is up and active. Residents interested in learning more about the program may review the site at www.sbcounty.gov/cert/

Residents may contact the Muscoy CERT sub-council at muscoycert@yahoo.com

NEW BUSINESS

Non-Action Items

A. State Street Grade Separation – Cheryl Donahue, SANBAG

The grade separation project at State St./Cajon Blvd. will cost approximately \$28 million. The project will relieve the heavily burdened railway intersection that sees more than 16,000 vehicles per day. SANBAG will host an open house for this project on Thursday, March 29th from 4:30-6:30pm at the Inland Empire Job Corps Center, 3173 Kerry St., Muscoy. The project will begin this spring and last approximately 24 months.

SANBAG, the City of San Bernardino and the City of Rialto are hosting “Come Play on the Freeway” in honor of the I-210 grand opening. The event will take place on Saturday, June 23rd at the I-210 and Riverside Ave. interchange. The events include car show, vendors, games and prizes.

B. Darby Lane Project – Doug Wilson

The Wilson family has a proposed housing development on 27 acres in the Muscoy community. The homes will be single-family detached structures between 1600–2200 square feet. The development will include improvements to local infrastructure including the construction of a 1.4 million gallon water tank to support the Muscoy Mutual Water service to the area. A one-time contribution of \$2.5 million will be allocated to the San Bernardino City Unified School District to accommodate the added student population as well as an annual allocation of \$580,000 to the district. A portion of land will be established as endangered species habitat. The new homes will generate increased property tax revenue for the county. Mr. Wilson is available for contact should residents have questions via email: dougwilson@gmail.com or phone: (949) 497-1820

C. Blake Little League – Allen Pryor & Danny Marquez

Blake Little League currently owns the Blake St. ball field. Due to the deterioration of the field they are unable to use the Blake St. field. They currently play at sites in the city of San Bernardino. The Little League is attempting to raise funds for improvements to the facility so the league may use it.

Action Items

None

REPORTS

5th District Field Representative – Frances Vasquez

Resolutions - the Board of Supervisors approved Resolutions declaring March as Social Worker Recognition Month and April as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

Street Lights – On March 13, the Board of Supervisors approved the MAC's request to authorize an election of property owners in unincorporated Muscoy to pay for streetlight services. A private election company began mailing the ballots that day to parcel owners. There will be a 45-day mailing period, with ballots due on Election Day, April 27th. If the timeline is maintained, Special Districts Dept. would go to the Board on May 22nd to confirm the election.

Illegal Dumping Ordinance – The Board of Supervisors approved an ordinance calling for more severe illegal dumping laws. Individuals caught dumping refuse in unincorporated areas will be fined \$100 for an initial infraction and up to \$500 for further violations. Penalties for commercial quantities of waste could be found guilty of a misdemeanor with penalties ranging between \$500 and \$10,000, or six month in jail. Also, the Board approved purchasing eight more surveillance cameras. BOS approved staff recommendations to set-aside \$25,000 for a reward program for tips leading to the arrest and conviction of those caught dumping trash.

General Plan Updates – The Board of Supervisors approved a general plan update that will guide land-use planning for the next two decades. It featured plans for unincorporated Muscoy. Supervisor Gonzales appreciated the input and good work of the General Plan Committee and the Muscoy Community Plan Committee members who helped tailor development standards to the individual character of the community. MAC member, Rev. Gloria Dickey served on the Muscoy CPC, as did several other Muscoy residents.

Fitness Funds - Supervisor Josie Gonzales has participated in the Governor's fitness challenge competition to encourage in the Fifth District to get active and stay fit. She is earmarking \$12,000 to be awarded to the top five 5th District schools that participate in the statewide fitness contest.

Community Calendar - Supervisor Gonzales has a community calendar link on her County website. She welcomes Fifth District non-profit organizations to submit information on public events for posting on this site.

Fifth District Graffiti Hotline - Residents may call toll-free for **1-877-44-ABATE** for graffiti abatement services. The contract covers all and only properties located within the County 5th District unincorporated areas. The contract will allow the vendor to abate graffiti located on private property with written consent from the property owner. The current response time for graffiti complaints is 48 hours.

County E-mail updates on news and events - Anyone with an e-mail address can automatically receive timely updates on San Bernardino County news, events, and services completely free of charge through the county website at www.sbcounty.gov.

The Board of Supervisors approved a three-year service agreement for web-casting services to the public. Beginning next month, people will be able to watch the Board meetings online at the convenience of their personal computer.

Public Events

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Tattoo Removal Program is being offered to juveniles 15-18 years old at Arrowhead Regional Medical Center. The clinic is free to juveniles referred by the Probation Dept. Parents/guardians must accompany the youth.

Thursday, March 29, held from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., SANBAG is hosting a community Open House to announce upcoming construction of the bridge over the railroad tracks at State Street-University Parkway in San Bernardino. The Open House will be held at the Inland Empire Job Corps at 3173 Kerry Street.

Friday, March 30 – Cesar E. Chavez Day of Service. Schools and organizations throughout the region (and beyond) are planning special events to commemorate the life and works of the late Mr. Cesar E. Chavez, California's noted farm labor organizer, humanitarian, and Civil Rights activist.

Friday, March 30, 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., Congressman Joe Baca is hosting a Women's Forum at the Fontana Women's Club located at 16880 Seville Avenue, Fontana. The event will feature a panel discussion, a tribute to Alice Paul and legislation Congressman Baca has introduced on her behalf, as well as a keynote address by the California National Organization for Women (NOW) president who will give an update of the current status of women in the United States and California. To RSVP for the event, call Jennifer Rustigian at (909) 885-2222. There is no cost to attend this event and it is open to the public.

Monday, April 2, (time TBD), Kickoff event for the **Kid Healthy Steps to Healthy Living**, at Cesar Chavez Middle School sponsored by S.C.U.S.D. and KABC-TV. Their objective is for all students and staff to log at least 10,000 steps a day (pedometers provided by San Bernardino City Schools Nutrition Services). Their goal is to log well over 6 million steps, as well as consume 1 million cups of fruits and vegetables during the two-week campaign! They are expecting news coverage from KABC-TV as well as our local papers.

Tuesday, April 10, 5:30 – 10:00 PM – “Moving Forward Together.” State of the County dinner and presentation by Board of Supervisors at Ontario Convention Center, 2000 Convention Way, Ontario, CA 91764. Register online: www.sbcounty.gov.

Saturday, April 14, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon - **Countywide Community Clean Up & Recycling Day** – at the Mid-Valley Landfill, 2390 Alder Ave., Rialto. Information, call 909 387-4044.

Saturday, April 21st & 28th, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon - **Muscoy Community Clean Up & Recycling Days** – @ two locations: Darby and Macy Streets (next to the fire station) and the PAL Center, 2450 Blake St. Information, call 909 387-4044.

MAC MEMBER REPORTS:

Chairman Larry Claunch

No Report

Council Member Gloria Dickey

No Report

Council Member Anna Duarte

No Report

Council Member Vanney Mayberry

No Report

Council Member Kay Sanders

No Report

Council Member Jerry Smith

No Report

Council Member Lia Tinker

No Report

Public Comments:

No public comments

The meeting was adjourned to the next MAC meeting scheduled for April 17, 2007 at 7:00 pm at Muscoy Fire Station # 75, 2852 Macy Street.

Submitted by: Dan Flores – Muscoy MAC Secretary (909) 387-4565